

Dysart et al council Monday agreed to plans for a 35 unit senior citizen apartment building in Haliburton Village. These plans are preliminary and subject to some change. The construction of the building could start in the spring of 1978. The building is a joint project of the municipality of Dysart et al and the provincial and federal governments. All three bodies subsidize the project to certain percentages. The building will be constructed on a site on Mountain Street.

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Identical accidents

Constable was seeing double

Minden - Provincial Police Constable, Gary Chapman, must have thought he was seeing double when he checked over his accident reports last week.

On Dec. 5, Chapman investigated an accident involving Harold Deacon, driving a Mercury school bus. On Dec. 6 he was dispatched to an accident involving Eldon Deacon, driving a Mercury school bus.

The similarity in the name and vehicle aren't the end of it either.

The driver of the second vehicle in both cases was a female. The time of both accidents was 4:15 p.m. and both accidents took place on Highway 35. The Dec. 5 accident happened at the junction of Matabannick Inn Road and the Dec. 6 accident was at the junction of Horse-shoe Lake Road 2.

According to the police report the road conditions in both cases were snow covered at the time of the accidents.

Damage to the bus in the Dec. 5 accident was minor and the entire left front fender of the car was damaged. You might have guessed that the damage was minor to the bus on Dec. 6 as well, and as might be expected, the

entire left front fender of the car was damaged.

The Deacons are both Minden residents but to add to the coincidence of the two crashes, the drivers of the cars are both from Stanhope Township.

The police report on the two accidents both end with "no injury."

Plowing the snow for snow bilers

Haliburton - The Haliburton County Snowmobile Association requested to have its parking lot at the Donald Community Centre plowed by Dysart et al, but the council will look at the situation.

Councillor, Gary McKnight said that the building isn't used much as a recreation centre anymore and the snowmobile club is getting most of the use.

It was pointed out by Mr. McKnight that the club is not being charged for the building.

Reeve, Murray Fearrey, said he will contact someone from the club to discuss the situation.



This grader found things a little too steep for snowploughing on the sidewalk along Highway 121 west of downtown Haliburton. The grader rolled over on its side into the snow bank. There was no visible damage to the machine that was set back up on its wheels a short time after the incident Saturday.

Construction to start on senior building by May 78

Haliburton - Construction will likely start this May on a 35 unit senior citizen apartment building in Haliburton Village.

Dysart council passed a resolution Monday giving approval to the plans for the building.

Sid Palmer of the Ministry of Housing told the council

that the building will be a two structure on three levels. He noted that ramps will be put in the building to facilitate wheelchair people and the senior citizens.

The building has a common room on the main floor with a kitchenette and washrooms adjacent. There is also a washroom planned for off the laundry room.

Mr. Palmer said that each unit is about 650 gross square feet.

He showed the council preliminary drawings of the building and noted that they were subject to some changes although he expected the changes to be minor.

Tenders will be called early in 1978, Mr. Palmer said and agreed with Reeve, Murray Fearrey, that construction could start in May.

The building and site located on Mountain Street, will contain a number of items, including parking for 17 vehicles and an outdoor patio off of the common room.

Mr. Palmer said that the exterior of buildings of this type are usually brick, although a number have been done with other surfaces.

The operation cost of the building will be jointly financed by the provincial, federal and municipal governments through various programs.

The municipality will be subject to paying 7.5 per cent of the operating deficit.

The funding for the building will come from Ontario Housing and the Central Mortgage and Housing Corp.

Reeve Fearrey said he was quite impressed with the plans for the building.

The municipal council has been working for some time to bring senior citizen housing to Haliburton Village.

23 family housing units could be built in 1979

Haliburton - Rent geared to income or family housing could be a reality in Haliburton Village by 1979.

Sid Palmer of the Ministry of Housing told Dysart et al council Monday that a survey showed a need for 23 family housing units in Haliburton.

He said that presently the ministry is looking at the possibility of putting the houses on two sites.

Mr. Palmer added that the units, when constructed, will likely be of a detached nature instead of the semi-detached housing usually found in this type of project.

Reeve, Murray Fearrey, asked Mr. Palmer if the project would get underway in 1978 but Mr. Palmer said to expect it to start in the spring of 1979.

The municipality will be required to subsidize the operating cost of such a project at 7.5 per cent although funds are donated to the municipality instead of taxes.

The houses will have three, four or five bedrooms and include a refrigerator and stove.

Mr. Palmer told Dysart

council that the cost out of pocket for the municipality is usually not very high.

The rents are set at 16.2 to 25 per cent of the tenants salary.

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Fund total \$427.00.

Seniors receive grant of \$9,943

Haliburton - The Haliburton Highlands Senior Citizens Club has received a federal government grant of \$9,943.

The grant will be used to equip the groups quarters at the Dysart Community Centre and organize recreational activities. The program includes music, dancing, films and indoor games.

The announcement of the grant was made last week by Monique Begin, Minister of Health & Welfare.

A total of \$361,828 in grants has been awarded to 43 groups of retired people in Ontario.

"New Horizons offers contributions to groups of retired people so that they can create projects and undertake activities for the benefit of themselves and others in the community in which they live," a release from the government stated.

Licence is issued for canteen service in the area

Haliburton - Gary Wooton has been given a license to operate a truck serving food in the Dysart et al area.

The municipal council was told that the license was issued to Mr. Wooton if he complied with a bylaw governing the use of such businesses.

Councillor, Gary McKnight expressed some concern that Mr. Wooton would take the truck to the arena to sell food outside of the building. The

council learned though that they had the right to set up restricted areas.

Deputy reeve, Harold Bannon, said that the municipality has had a canteen service before but "it doesn't seem to pay."

Councillor Jack Denholm said, "I don't like this truck running around this little town."

The council was informed that the license could be revoked if the bylaw was not followed.

Haliburton will likely stay in COTA despite Chamber

Haliburton - The Central Ontario Travel Association will likely approach Haliburton County Council for the \$4,000 membership fees for the area to join the association.

Representatives of COTA and a representative of the Ministry of Industry and Tourism were in Haliburton Monday to explain that groups side of the story of the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce dropping out of the travel association.

George Coling, managing director of COTA, explained that COTA covers an area roughly from Highway 27, north of Toronto, up to Highway 9, across to the southeast corner of Lake Simcoe into Durham Region, Victoria, Haliburton, Hastings, Peterborough, Prince Edward and Northumberland Counties.

He said that representatives of various tourist councils in that area voted in 1975 to become members of the Ontario Travel Association program, a government initiated body.

"I feel that if the local tourist council works with OTAP their particular organization can be made a lot stronger," Mr. Coling said.

He noted that of the tourist councils in COTA, only one, in the Georgina-Lake Simcoe area, is not in existence and that COTA is funded directly from the Region of York.

"As far as other councils, we have not interfered in their operations," he said.

Mr. Coling went on to point out that COTA did a great deal of newspaper and radio promotion for the area it represents and Haliburton was mentioned on each occasion.

The Haliburton Chamber had asked that the membership fees be changed back to \$2,778, the same as last year, instead of \$4,000 for the coming year.

Mr. Coling explained that the membership fee has been \$2,778 and the various tourist councils were receiving \$3,000 back in a major lure piece to promote the area.

He said that there was also \$1,000 for out-of-area promotion and \$500 for in-area promotion.

COTA also provided two travel councillors in Haliburton during the summer, plus one in Bancroft handling visitors coming into the Highlands from the eastern end.

Mr. Coling explained that this is done at a cost of \$3,000.

The membership fee was struck at \$2,778 in 1975 because the original six tourist councils had to raise \$16,666 to get a \$50,000 grant from the provincial government.

Mr. Coling said that since 1975 there has been an increase in administration costs, rents, utilities, salaries, advertising, mileage, and a number of other items.

He noted that the cost of producing a lure brochure was up 40 per cent.

"With these increased costs we appreciate the fact that the local tourist groups also have increased costs," Mr. Coling said.

He said that in light of all that, COTA agreed to increase the fees to \$4,000 as part of a new marketing plan.

Along with the increase in fees each tourist group would receive an additional \$500 for its major lure piece bringing that total to \$3,500 and the out-of-area promotion would be brought up to \$1,500. Mr. Coling noted that the in-area promotion has been removed because COTA felt that it was up to local groups.

"We have serviced the direct inquiries for information on Haliburton and the other area by supplying them with all of the information available to make their visit as pleasurable as possible while in our area," he said.

Mr. Coling explained some of the programs of COTA.

"In the coming year we will be exchanging names of inquiries with Eastern Ontario Travel Association because it is felt that a lot of tourists coming out of the Toronto area travel through our area into Eastern Ontario," he said.

A magazine is presently being produced which Mr. Coling said will be in circulation by the end of January. He noted that the magazine has editorial content and pictures of Haliburton included in it.

Mr. Coling said that COTA is also producing a "Thing to See and Do" book for the area which will list the various accommodations throughout the region.

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Chamber cannot sustain advertising

Haliburton - Bob Kennedy, president of the Central Ontario Travel Association said that the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce cannot sustain itself on the external advertising market as well as it did while a member of COTA.

The Chamber chose last week to drop out of COTA because of an increase in the membership fees and changes in the numbers of members of the group.

Mr. Kennedy was at a meeting of a Haliburton County Echo and Minden Recorder representative COTA offices and a representative of the Ministry of Industry and Tourism. The meeting was held Monday.

Mr. Kennedy said that COTA's handling of external advertising never gets stressed enough.

He added that Haliburton Highlands has to be in COTA one way or another even if COTA has to find representation and funds for this area.

Ministry sets guidelines doesn't dictate

Haliburton - D.A. Thomas, tourism development consultant small business - operations division of the Ministry of Industry and Tourism, made it quite clear that the ministry does not dictate an advertising program to COTA or various tourist councils such as the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Thomas, in a meeting held Monday, said that the ministry sets down guidelines because it has an interest in how the taxpayers money is spent.

He said that the controls set up by the ministry are similar to controls used on the individual tourist councils such as the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce before the Central Ontario Travel Association was formed in 1975.

"For anyone to say that the ministry is controlling advertising is not true," Mr. Thomas said, "It has set up guidelines but does not dictate."

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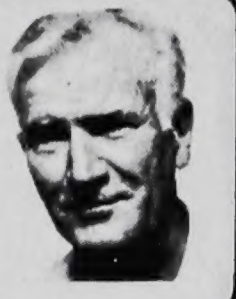
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OK, God. We get the message. We give up. You may stop weeping any time over the silliness of your favorite creation, man. Although at times I'm not so sure it's weeping You're up to.

I guess You tried to give us a little warning last winter, when you dumped more than 16 feet of snow on my humble abode.

But wayward children that we are, we ignored Your broad hint and went right on sinning the sins of pride and presumption, as we have done through thousands of years of floods and plagues and droughts and famines.

So You decided to sock it to us, beginning about the middle of August. The wheat is rotting in the fields. The vegetables lie deep and putrefying in the mud. And the overcast is so bloody low that even the birds are weeping.

Enough, Your Heavenly-lship. Don't let it rain no more.

I've been searching my own soul to see where I went astray, and for the life of me can't admit that I've been more sinful than usual, to call down Your wrath in the form of 40 days and nights of rain.

Maybe it's nothing drastic, but just a sort of general slip-page over the years, through-out Thy people.

Let us now undo our shirts, contemplate our navels, and meditate on our sins, and perhaps You will stop the sluice and turn on the juice.

Personally, I've slipped a bit, and I don't deny it. Oh, I haven't lusted after my neighbor's wife, I haven't stolen anything except that pumpkin out at Foster's Farm the other day, as a Halloween treat for my grandsons, and I haven't murdered anything larger than a mosquito for years.

I haven't borne false witness, except to the Department of Revenue, which doesn't count. Maybe I haven't honored my father and my mother, but there wasn't much point, since

they've been with You for years.

Well, that takes care, rather roughly, of the Commandments. But what about the Seven Deadly Sins. Maybe that's a horse of a different hue. Let's see. What are they? Oh, yes, I remember what the rector said one day in church. Pale Gas.

Now, I am not suggesting for one moment that the rector was emitting from the pulpit colorless hot air. No, it was his way of remembering the Seven Deadly Sins. This might be useful for my readers, if they are still with me, contemplating their navels and wondering where in they have erred and are like lost sheep. Wet lost sheep.

PALE GAS. P for pride; A for Anger; L for lust; E for Envy; G for Gluttony; A for avarice; S for Sloth. Now if we can just prove that we are scot free on those counts, I don't think, God, that you have any right to go on watering us like so much asparagus.

I can vouch for myself, and I'm sure for most of my readers, if I deny the first sin, Pride. What is there to be prideful about when you haven't done anything to be proud of? Does it count if you're proud of your kids for coming first in the music festival or growing the biggest squash for the Fall Fair?

Anger? No way. Well, maybe a little peevishness, like that litany of damnation hurled at the turkey in the blue Pontiac who tried to cut in front of you in traffic. Or a few barks at the old lady once in a while when she presents you with a \$60 long-distance phone bill. Or a slight scream of rage at the kids when they calmly say they are quitting school and going to Europe to find themselves. But real anger? A firm "no" there.

Lust? Most of us over the age of 30 don't even remember what it means. A fig for lust. Or a fig-leaf, if you want to be prim about it.

Envy? Not a chance. Not among me and my readers, at any rate. Oh, we may turn a little green when we see someone smarter, more handsome, better dressed, or richer than we, but there is assuredly no envy involved. We enjoy being stupid, ugly, shabby and poor.

Gluttony? Out of the question. What do you think we are, pigs? Oh, there might be the odd one of us who has one or two or three over the eight when it comes to drinks. And I did hear that a few of my readers had to be hoisted from the table to the chesterfield by a block and tackle after Thanksgiving dinner. But you'll find a few bad apples in every barrel. And by the way, McIntosh apples are only \$6 a bushel this year, and you can get through a bushel, the pair of you, in about three nights before the TV set.

Avarice? Ridiculous! There isn't an avaricious soul in this fine land of ours. Except the doctors, maybe. And the businessmen. And the lawyers and the teachers and

the union workers and the dentists and the politicians and the civil servants. But I can't think of one avaricious three-year-old.

As for Sloth, you can scratch that one off the Canadian list right now. Migosh, you'd think we were lazy or something. It's common knowledge that the gross national product of this country is only slightly behind that of 14 other developed nations and well ahead of one of them. Lazy bedamned.

Well, God, I think you've got Your signals crossed somewhere, and it's time you stopped wetting on us from a great height. Knock it off. We are beginning to get peed off as well as peed on, and if You aren't careful, we might all go to the Devil.

I wonder if the rector was right about that Pale Gas? Maybe the letters stand for: Promiscuous; Asinine; Lazy; Epicurean; Greedy; Apathetic; Silly.

Boy, if they do, we're in trouble. And I apologize, God.

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Night Creeps Softly

The stillness of the night enfolds us in its misty cover as the wind lulls us to idleness with its leaf tinkling tune. The gentle rippling waters are parted as silent beaver bodies slip along, disappearing into the dark depths at the slightest unusual sound echoing through the crowded growth along the shoreline. A mournful piercing call shatters the stillness as the lonely loon calls to its mate. Rain drops patter softly into the chill waters, playing its own tune on the rustling leaves. Cotton thick clouds hang low over the land entangling the sharp pointed tree tops in its folds. Pin points of light faintly pierce the gloom then one by one blink off like fireflies in flight. Now, even the beavers are gone and the loons together in their quiet pool. The wind has finished its playing and left the night to the rain drops. The rain and the ripples soothe the weary ear and night hangs up its curtain once more.

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New pennies won't fit in parking meters

Haliburton - It will likely cost the municipality of Dysart et al about \$1,800 to convert its parking meters because a problem with the size of new pennies.

The pennies, which have not been issued, will not fit in the meters so the council will have to convert the meters to just take dimes and nickels. The municipality reserved any decision on the project.

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"I can see why. But just
how long would I have to work to
be eligible?"

From 10 to 14 weeks, depending on where you live.

In regions of low unemployment, claimants need up to 14 weeks of insurable employment to get UI benefits. This will only happen in places where it's easier to get and keep a job.

In regions of high unemployment, claimants now need as little as 10 weeks to qualify.

"Does this mean
I'd get less or that the payments
wouldn't last as long?"

No change in payment amounts. The UI benefit rate stays at two-thirds of your average weekly insurable earnings.

The maximum is \$147, less tax.
The maximum time for which anyone may receive benefits has changed slightly, however. The old maximum was 51 weeks. Now it's 50 weeks.

But since September 11, the total number of weeks for which a claimant qualifies has more closely reflected the unemployment rate in his or her region.

Right now, we measure unemployment by dividing Canada into 16 economic regions.



Later in 1978, we will fine-tune the program to 54 regions so that UI will be even more closely related to local labour market conditions.

"What else is changing
about UI?"

Not much.
The basic two week waiting period remains the same everywhere. And so do the rules on the waiting period when a claimant has left his or her job for no good reason or been fired for misconduct. In such cases, a claimant may have to wait up to eight weeks from when employment ends until benefits start.

Then there's maternity, sickness and age 65 benefits.

Previously, sickness benefits were only payable during the first 39 weeks of the claim. Now they're payable at any time during the entire benefit period.

Maternity benefits of 15 weeks and the special one-time benefit (equal to three weeks' benefits) at age 65 remain the same.

The same people still pay for the program in the same proportions, and the types of employment insurable for UI remain the same, too.

"Would I still go to the
same UI office to claim?"

As explained in the box below, you still go to the familiar locations for both UI offices and Canada Manpower Centres. Watch for changes in your area.

Unemployment Insurance has changed for everyone's benefit, including yours. All we ask is that you remember your obligations as well as your rights.

If the need should ever arise for you to come to us, we'll make sure you get all the UI benefits to which you are entitled by law. But you must keep up the search for a new job all the time you're getting those benefits.

The Unemployment Insurance Commission and the Department of Manpower and Immigration have become the Canada Employment and Immigration Commission. For a time, you'll still see our local offices identified as Unemployment Insurance offices or Canada Manpower Centres. When they're together in one location, they'll be called Canada Employment Centres.

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Deac Jackson tips for Christmas safety

A happy Christmas can change in a few moments into a family tragedy, warns Minden Fire Chief, W.N. (Deac) Jackson, in homes where fire safety precautions are neglected. Such precautions should head the list of every sensible family's preparations for Christmas.

The following are a few suggestions that we hope will help every family have a merry, tragedy-free festive season.

Christmas season brings threats to Child Safety.

Christmas brings temptations to many parents, while visiting with neighbors or completing last minute shopping, to leave small children unattended for short periods.

At the same time, decorations, trees and wrapping material bring an increased threat of fire danger unless constant care is exercised.

We urge that parents recognize the danger of this season, and not leave small children alone in the home, not even for a moment.

CHRISTMAS TREE SAFETY

The evergreen tree, safe with intelligent use, can present a serious fire hazard if improperly handled. The difference lies in the moisture content of the tree - a condition over which you have a surprising degree of control. There are three

simple steps to safety and enjoyment of your favorite tree.

1. Don't purchase a tree that has dried out. Trees that are too dry have brittle branches and needles that shed easily. Test branches and needles for flexibility.

2. Store tree outdoors, preferably under cover, until it is used. If it must be stored indoors, re-cut butt end and immerse in water, maintain water supply.

3. When tree is to be erected, re-cut butt diagonally. Stand tree in water above height of last cut and maintain water supply for duration of tree's use.

A tree handled in this manner will maintain its water content and in many cases achieve a moisture content, and will stay fresh, green and safe all season.

TWO IMPORTANT LIMITATIONS

The effect of butt immersion has two important limitations.

1. A tree whose moisture content has dropped to a critical point before immersion will not recover, but will continue to dry out even when standing in water. Check tree 24 hrs. after it was erected for flexibility, if it is showing signs of brittleness it should be removed.

2. Even a tree with 100 per

cent moisture content will not withstand a ring of fire at its base.

Highly combustible wrapping tissue presents a fire hazard that the tree and nearby furnishings will not be immune from.

ARTIFICIAL TREES

If you are thinking of buying an artificial tree, buy one that is of P.V.C. material (Polyvinylchloride) not those made of styrene or metal as styrene is highly flammable and metallic trees are a conductor of electricity.

Use only lighting strings that have a C.S.A. (Canadian Standards Assoc.) approval, label, and make sure every wire, extension cord, sockets, etc. are in good working order.

\$10 for licence

Monmouth - Monmouth Township council has passed a resolution asking that people in this area be charged only \$10 for car licenses, the same as people in Northern Ontario.

The resolution was endorsed last Monday by Dysart council.

Use of a fire-retardant chemical spray on a tree is no substitute for butt immersion and is not recommended.

Keep cigarettes and matches at a safe distance, switch off tree lights when going out of the house and before

retiring at bedtime. Your Fire Department wishes you and yours a most Happy Christmas, but please make it a fire-free Christmas.

Over 1,000 visitors attend

Well over 1,000 people visited the new million-dollar head office building of Victoria and Grey Trust Company Saturday as tours of the new building were conducted during the day. An estimated 300 people attended the ribbon cutting ceremony in the early afternoon filling the main floor of the new building to capacity.

Included in the large gathering were managers and directors of Victoria and Grey from all across Ontario as the retired company president cut the ribbon and declared the building officially open.

Vic and Grey President Colin Bennett conducted the ceremony and introduced many notables in attendance. He cited many of the bank officials serving in company branches originated in Lindsay or Victoria County.

Victoria and Grey Director William Shields paid special tribute to the late A.E. (Bert) Hick and the late Stuart

Flavelle who had contributed so much to the growth and prestige of the company.

Special appreciation was expressed to the staff mem-

bers of Lindsay branch for their many extra hours and co-operation in the moving process from the Kent and William Street location.

Council

HOLIDAY

Dysart et al council has declared Boxing Day a holiday within the municipality. The council made the declaration at its regular meeting on Monday.

NEGOTIATIONS

Negotiations between Dysart Council and the Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE) will start on Jan. 9 next year.

DERELICTS

Minden Metals have offered to purchase the derelict cars that the Municipality of Dysart et al have collected over the past year. The company has offered \$1,000 for the cars. Reeve, Murray Fearrey said that there was some question that the cars would have to be tendered.



Dysart councillor, Roy Brohm, Reeve, Murray Fearrey, and Deputy-Reeve, Harold Bannon, look over the plans for the new senior citizen housing units which will likely be constructed starting next spring in Haliburton Village.



The Dysart Community Centre has a new clock to time hockey games and other events in the arena. The clock, which was donated by Pepsi Cola, has been put up at the time of major renovations and repairs to the arena.

Former MPP is charged provincial fraud case

Toronto - A former MPP and his wife have been charged with six counts of defrauding the Ontario government of \$1 million and one charge of conspiracy to defraud.

John Brown, who was New Democratic MPP for Beach-

es-Woodbine from 1967 to 1971 and his wife Deborah, are principals of Browndale, an organization which cares for emotionally disturbed children.

Also charged are Earl Stanley Heiber of Pinnacle Crescent, North York, identi-

fied as the president of Browndale (Ontario) and Eric Dudley Percival of Lake Park, Florida, former comptroller of Browndale.

All four were charged after a year-long investigation by Ontario police.

Browndale's records and those of its parent company Brown Camps, Residential and Day Schools, were seized a year ago. At the time an OPP spokesman said the investigation concerned possible misappropriation of funds.

The non-profit organization will receive about \$8 million this year from the provincial government to care for about 300 children.

The organization has been the target of Liberal questioning in the Legislature since 1974, when then Liberal Leader Robert Nixon asked for details of the governments financial dealings with it.

The province audited the Browndale finances in June, 1976, but never made results public. At about the same time Attorney General Roy McMurtry ordered an OPP investigation when a former Browndale employee alleged there was financial management.

John Brown founded the Browndale group and his wife has been the executive director of Browndale.

Sid Roberts retires from Dysart et al

Haliburton - Sid Roberts, roads superintendent for Dysart, for the past 31 years, has resigned from the position to take early retirement.

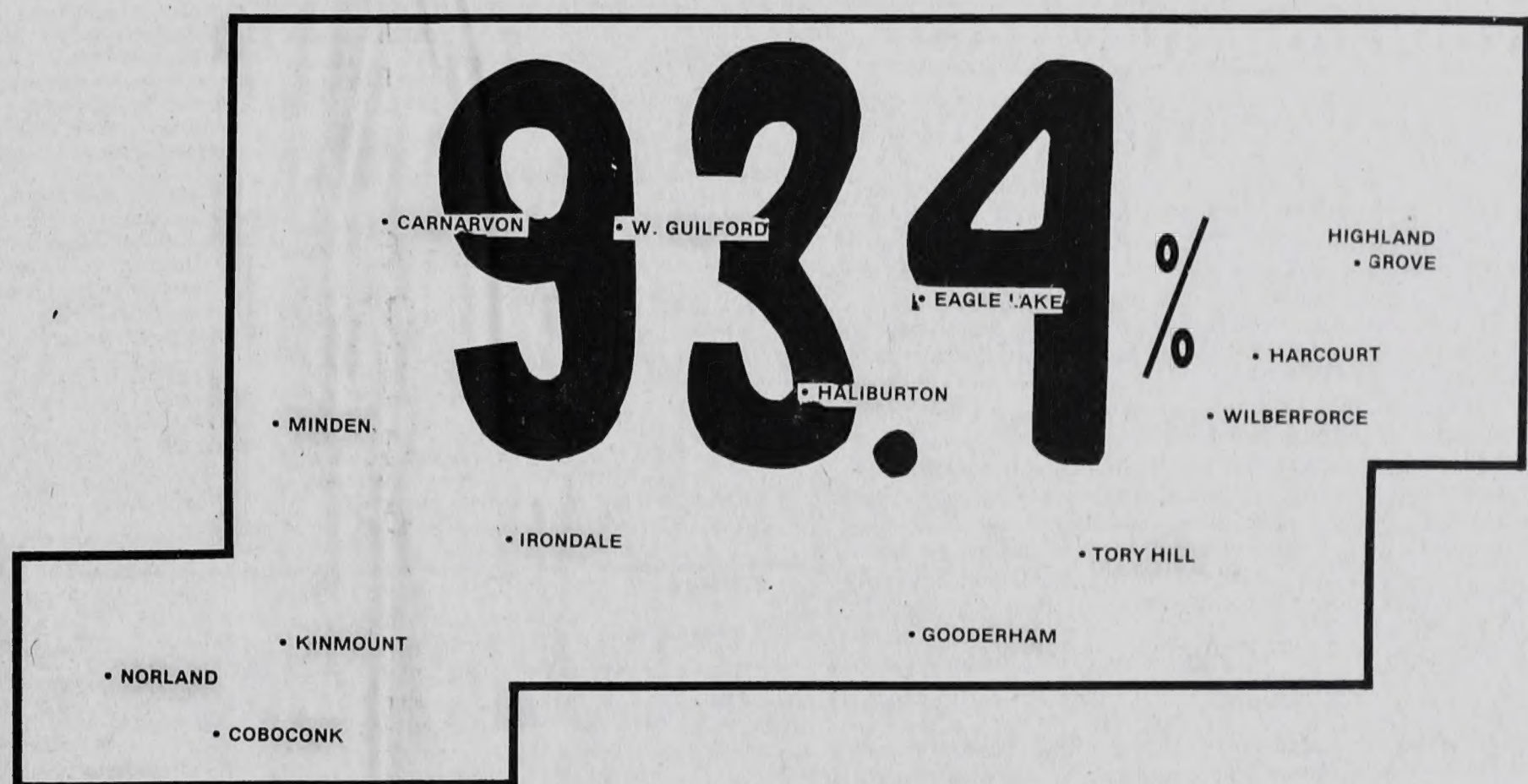
Mr. Roberts officially leaves the job on Jan. 6. Howard Roberts, who has been working as assistant superintendent, has been appointed to the position left vacant by the resignation.

Sid Roberts has been with the municipality since 1948 and has been road superintendent since that time.

It was noted by the council that the Ontario Good Roads will issue a certificate of appreciation to Mr. Roberts.

The council accepted the resignation with regret.

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Minden	1456	1576	108.24%
Haliburton	2293	2451	106.89%
Kinmount			
Norland	1126	528	46.89%
Coboconk			
TOTALS	4875	4555	93.44%
Cottagers		1225	
All Others		99	
Total Circulation		5879	

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THE HALIBURTON COUNTY ECHO

Echo Editorials

Chamber should give more community help

The Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce should play a more effective role in our county community, by lending more assistance to the retail trade and small business sector of our area. Granted, tourism is a major industry here but other businesses should not be neglected.

There is a definite need, particularly for retailers, to work under some common structure as competition from shopping centres in both Lindsay and Peterborough is becoming increasingly felt in the Haliburton County market. As the retail sector of our economy becomes tighter, these shopping centres will go farther and farther afield to establish new markets. The effect will be felt not only by retailers in the county but by the population at large as diminishing returns for retailers means decreased spending on their parts and payroll cutbacks.

This was pointed out by Professor Marcus to area retailers last spring in a retail seminar by The Haliburton County Echo. Marcus pointed out that area retailers will have to be prepared to make additional investments in their marketing programs if they want to hang on to their share of the Haliburton County market.

We would like to point out that shoppers should also be aware that shopping locally is an investment in their community. We are not opposed to free enterprise but shoppers should know that shopping locally undergirds many of the community services that we take for granted. Local businesses have strongly supported many community funds over the years.

Retailers will have to get their story to the people under a united banner and should make every effort to service their customers to the best of their ability. They deserve nothing less.

This is an area where the Chamber could play a key role in helping area merchants cope with new realities as is being done in Kapuskasing.

Local merchants and service companies in Kapuskasing are now being offered the opportunity to benefit from an Ontario government program designed to help them improve their operations and profits.

The Small Business Management Development Program, sponsored by the Ontario Ministry of Industry and Tourism, was recently announced by a local committee, who will be assisted by the Kapuskasing District Chamber of Commerce.

The committee will select applicants from 25 local businesses, and each will have its operations assessed individually and confidentially by a consulting firm hired to recommend improvements in business methods.

The project's objective is to provide established local businesses with up-to-date techniques of business management.

Such a program would help both the Haliburton County retailers and their customers and assist in providing a healthy economic climate in our county.

Group fought water level problem properly

Haliburton Highlands won't experience the extreme fluctuation of water levels again, thanks to the work of a concerned group of people.

Last year the water levels in the area were very low because of an increase in the water needed for the Trent Canal System. Most major water routes in Haliburton County feed into the Trent System.

A group of citizens, part-time residents, permanent residents and politicians, decided to do something about the problem. They set about solving the problem in the proper fashion.

A bunch of people didn't go storming to Ottawa, calling the government names and getting nowhere. Instead the concerned citizens from the Haliburton area took the time to look at the problem, invited the general public to participate and came up with an argument that it turns out the government couldn't deny.

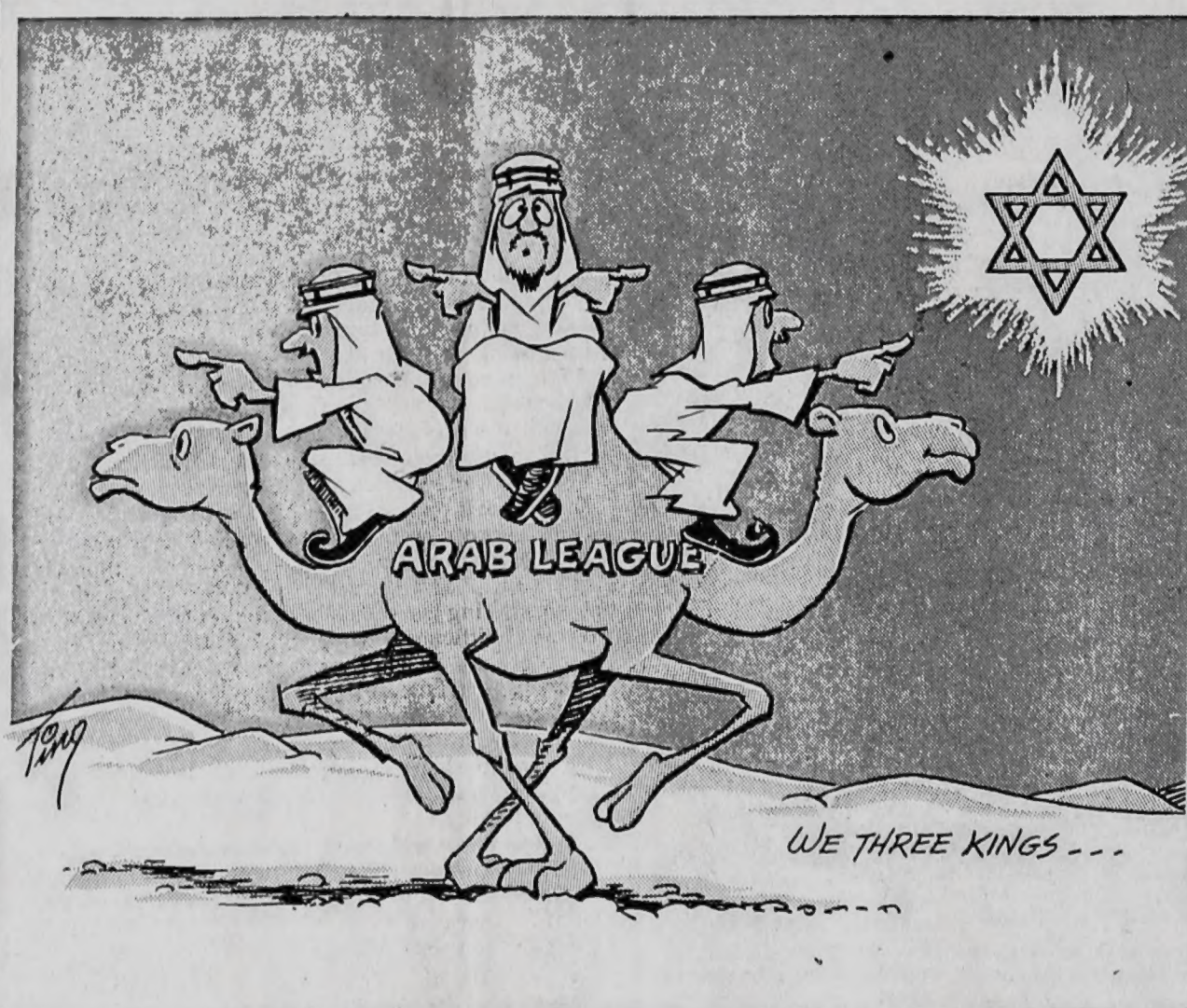
During a two month period various committees of the group met with the CORTS Committee, executives of the Trent-Severn Waterway and the Minister of Indian and Northern Affairs and Parks Canada, Hugh Faulkner.

The group also kept up its communications with Member of Parliament, William Scott and Member of Provincial Parliament, John Eakins.

"All meetings have been successful in that we have been able to present our problems openly to receptive audiences; and as a result we should not experience the extremely low water and fluctuations that were prevalent in 1977," the group announced last week.

Getting something done in government is not a big battle with name calling and bickering, it is, as this group has shown, easier to get things done if you have a plan of action.

The excellent results by the group are not the end of that body either. They are now presently searching for a long term solution to the problem. We would think that this group could be the one that will find that solution.



Letters to the Editor

MP thanks for support

Dear Friends:

Another year has slipped by and I would like to thank you once again for your support of my efforts on your behalf, as your Member of Parliament. I look forward to serving you in the coming year.

The new year will be a time of challenge for all of us. We will be called upon to re-affirm our faith in the great Canadian Confederation and in our cherished national institutions. It will also be a time of great opportunity, an opportunity to participate in the debates that will shape Canada's future. I believe that, with God's help, we will emerge from these challenging times a more united and more determined nation.

As in the past, your personal problems are one of my chief concerns. I will continue to be at your service, both from my Ottawa office and from my constituency office in Lindsay. You can reach me in Ottawa by writing to Bill Scott, MP, Rm. 534, CB, House of Commons, Ottawa, Ont.

My constituency office is at 42 Victoria Ave., North, Lindsay. Lloyd Graham, constituency secretary, is in the office on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon, and from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Phone numbers are: Ottawa (613) 992-0611, and Lindsay 324-1664. You can write to me at either office, postage free.

As we celebrate this festive season, let us not forget those around us who are lonely, and those less fortunate than ourselves. Understanding and human kindness are the best remedies for many of the ills that beset us.

My family joins me in wishing you a very Merry Christmas, and hope that you will be united with loved ones. We wish you good health, happiness and prosperity in the New Year.

Sincerely,

Bill Scott, MP,
Victoria-Haliburton.

To the Editor:

Would you be kind enough to place this announcement in your "letters to the editor" column or a similar place in your newspaper. We are anxious to contact as many former students of the Fort Erie Secondary School as possible. Your helpful co-operation will be gratefully appreciated.

Thank you.

Yours truly,

N. L. Pring.

Ms. Ellen Merrin - Chairperson,
The Fort Erie Secondary School
50th Anniversary Reunion '78 Committee.

Calling all former students of the Fort Erie Secondary School home to the town that skirts the border to mark the 50th anniversary of the school, May 12 and 13, 1978! Mark the date on your calendar and PASS THE WORD ON to as many other former students as you can. Tentative plans include a reunion dance, golf, a "memories" reception at the school and several other activities. Mather Public School is, as well, celebrating

its 50th anniversary and it is planned that May 12-14 will be turned into a real "Old Home" weekend. Your help is needed, though, to make this event a success. Those interested in attending are asked to contact the Reunion '78 Secretary, Mrs. M. McMillen, at the school, Tait Avenue, Fort Erie, Ontario L2A 3P1, (416) 871-4610, as soon as possible.

The reunion committee also invites parents, relatives and friends of former students to write these people and urge them to contact the school. We aren't promising any cannon firings at Old Fort Erie, but we're sure all former students will get a "bang" out of this 50th anniversary reunion.

Editor's Notebook

By Jim Badgley



A couple of weeks ago you heard the story about the ill fated weekend that started with a gas pump colliding with the front of the company van. Well this past weekend was no masterpiece either, although it wasn't quite as bad.

Here I sit, on a Sunday morning, looking out at some beautiful sunshine and 25 degree below zero weather. Looking across some beautiful glistening snow I see the company van, which for some reason decided that it wouldn't take the plunge and run in the record cold weather.

Luckily for me, I said after the van wouldn't go, there is still my car, plugged in and resting comfortably inside my garage. I figured it would start with little problem. Well, the car turned over twice and then wouldn't start.

These two lucky breaks, so to speak (they meant I didn't have to take the garbage to the dump) were just the conclusion (I hope) of a bad morning. I discovered when I got up that the pump didn't like the cold weather

either and the Badgley's were stuck without any water for the morning. I said the morning because I am hoping that the fix-it man will be here before I finish writing the column.

Well it seems, according to my wife, that the fix-it man just isn't as easy to get this morning. After making a phone call, Shirley learned that the fix-it man had been out most of the night working on furnaces.

I just didn't feel so bad with water that didn't work and vehicles that didn't move, after hearing about the people who must have just about froze last Saturday night.

The other day I drove to Lindsay and the most interesting thing that happened was noticing the difference in the highway conditions in Victoria County, compared to Haliburton.

Going from Haliburton Village to Minden it was slipping and sliding all the way. I must admit that there was very little noticeable sand on the roadway. From Minden to the sign marking the end of Haliburton County it was more of the same. But at the highway sign, the sand started and the road was clear and bare right into Lindsay.

It just strikes me as amazing how the weather could change so much at a little highway sign.

It has been a long struggle, but Shirley tells me that we have our Christmas shopping done. I just couldn't believe that I was going to miss the Christmas rush this year.

You can imagine my disappointment when I found out that I wouldn't have to fight my way through crowds at the stores on the last couple of days before Christmas.

This is some kind of a record though for the Badgleys and their Christmas shopping. Shopping is just something that is usually done at the last minute.

Feir Play

By Creighton Feir



During the past week I received a phone call from a gentleman who has a cottage in the area and spends many weeks in the summer here. During our conversation he told me that in the very near future he hopes to retire here. He said that he reads my column each week and although he doesn't agree with everything I have to say, that in most cases he thinks that I am hitting the nail on the head on many subjects that are of interest to us all. He pointed out that he has seen me many times but has never met me personally. He told me that he would drop in for a visit the next time he was in Haliburton. After talking with this gentleman I was very impressed with the interest that he takes in the community and I was also pleased with his views and comments on several subjects pertaining to the Village of Haliburton. Here is a man who is at present a summer resident here, who, along with many of our other cottagers, spends a great deal of money in the village each and every summer. We certainly welcome these people to the community and to the area and we are thrilled to think that most of these cottagers take a greater interest in the community than most people who live here all year round. We like to feel that they are one of us and we look forward to seeing them each summer. Let's make it a point to welcome them into the community and we can do this by showing them plenty of our good old friendly Highlands hospitality.

Due to the continued vandalism in the Village of Haliburton and the recent problems in the lobby at the Haliburton Post Office, we understand that if these problems aren't soon solved, the lobby will no longer be open twenty-four hours a day. In conversation with the Reeve, Murray Fearrey, and Deputy-Reeve, Harold Bannon, they told us that if things don't soon get better there is a good chance a curfew bylaw may have to come into effect when the youth up to a certain age will have to be home by nine or ten o'clock. They are talking of curfews in other areas and it may have to come here.

We always find it very interesting and enjoyable everytime we have the opportunity to talk with our good friend Harold Langdon at Black's Pro Hardware. He has a great memory and can come up with some very interesting facts on various topics. He was telling me the other day that believe it or not, the main industry in Florida is raising cattle. Second is tourism and the third is the growing of fruit.

We don't know if too many of you know, but Paul Sheridan, son of Mr. & Mrs. Ken Sheridan, of Toronto, made the Hamilton Tiger Cats football team last year. Unfortunately, he injured one of his knees in a game with the Toronto Argos and was out for the season. We wish him the best of luck and look forward to seeing him in a Hamilton uniform when the CFL season starts next year. His mother is the former Maizie Sisson of West Guilford.

We are pleased to announce that Mr. John Eakins, MPP for Victoria-Haliburton, will be in his Haliburton office in the municipal building on Tues., Dec. 20. Anyone wishing to see Mr. Eakins please phone the office for an appointment at 457-1986. If you have a problem this is your opportunity to talk it over with Mr. Eakins. He will be more than pleased to see you.

This is the time of year that people are either buying their Christmas trees downtown, cutting them in the bush, or already have them up and decorated in their living rooms. It seems that in this day and age practically everyone buys their trees or use the artificial variety. It is at this time of the year that I look back when I was just a young lad and how I would look forward to picking up a couple of my chums and heading for the woods to cut down a spruce Christmas tree. Sometimes we would walk for miles and then have to drag the tree all the way home. But you know it was a lot of fun and a part of Christmas I always wanted to remember.

During the past week I received a letter from my friend Chris Coneybeare, a former Haliburton resident who many of you know and who now resides at 4233 Avon Street, Riverside, California. Chris was renewing his subscription and another one for a friend. He also sent a cheque along in the amount of \$25.00 for the Echo Christmas Fund. He went on to say thanks for keeping up the good work in putting out an excellent newspaper. In his letter to us he said that I have lived in California for 41 years but left my heart in good old Haliburton. Chris concluded his letter by saying that he was sorry that he did not get back to Haliburton this past year but will try to make it next year.

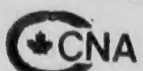
Last week the Haliburton Fire Department were called to a chimney fire at Willow Beach Cottages. They arrived on the scene in a very short time and soon had the problem under control.

And now here is a final safety note. To complete your Christmas tree fire safety program, use only lighting equipment bearing the Canadian Standards Association label of approval, and make sure every wire and socket is in proper working order. Finally, use only decorations made of non-combustible or approved slow-burning material. Use of a fire-retardant chemical spray on your tree is no substitute for butt immersion, and is not recommended.

Friends of Al and Ruth Greir will be pleased to hear that they are doing well with their new business known as Grier's Business World Ltd., duplicating equipment and supplies, in Victoria, B.C. The Greir's were the former owners of the Minden Progress and at that time I owned the Haliburton County Echo. Although we were in opposition to each other, we always worked along together giving each other a hand whenever we could. We struck up a real friendship and had many happy times and laughs together. I know I join with their many friends they made in Minden and area in wishing them the best of luck in their new business. I was pleased to receive a Christmas card and letter from them last week, in which they stated that they really enjoy the West coast and especially Victoria. Merry Christmas to Al, Ruth and their family.

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GENERAL VIEW OF HALIBURTON, ONT. FROM GOLD MINE.



James Shields sent us this very old postcard that he found while looking through some of his grandmother's pictures. It shows a general view of Haliburton

taken from the old gold mine about 1911. Our thanks to James Shields of Mississauga, Ontario for submitting this photo.

From the Chamber

by Bob Stinson

You can blame this weather on the Haliburton County Snowmobile Association and the Haliburton Highlands Cross Country Ski Club. They've been going around ever since Thanksgiving encouraging everyone to "THINK SNOW". Well it worked, and we've not only got the snow but the cold weather to sustain it and stiffen up the lakes. In the meantime we're still rushing around here at the Chamber office trying to get our book of cross country ski trail maps and snowmobile trail maps completed and ready for distribution before we get too much further into the season. Hopefully we will have ski trail maps available this week and the snowmobile maps very shortly thereafter.

Last week we attended the directors meeting of Central Ontario Travel Association in Peterborough and advised them of the resolution passed by the directors of our Chamber. That resolution was that we remain a member of Central Ontario Travel Association only if that association were to return to its original status of six participating tourist councils as originally constituted, and that the membership fee remain the same. Well over an hour was spent at the meeting discussing our announcement and the reasons for it. Directors from Quinte Isle, Highlands of Hastings, and Kawartha Tourist Association, all suggested they would remain in COTA if they could just raise that much money - which was going to be extremely difficult for all of them. Great Pine Ridge and York-Simcoe are not represented on the board, their tourist councils having previously fallen by the wayside. We made it very clear that Haliburton was not withdrawing because we couldn't raise the funds, but because we disagreed with what was happening to COTA and the direction it was going, and the benefits compared to the input required were not financially realistic. It has been suggested that our Chamber should remain a member and fight these causes from within. We have been doing just that for the past three years but now feel that \$4,000 per year is just too high a price to pay for this privilege.

An important thing to remember is that Haliburton Highlands is still part of Central Ontario, and will

continue to be so even though the Chamber withdraws from the organization. The mandate for the travel association is to represent the described region including the Haliburton Highlands, so that we will still be identified on maps in their brochures and included in any other advertising they produce. We simply will no longer be represented on their board, will pay no Chamber funds into its' operation, and will now be able to decide how best to spend our promotional dollars to suit our own region, without concerning ourselves with ministry guidelines. There are many things about the concept of COTA which could have been advantageous to us, but the ministry has insisted on dictating the overall policy to their board and regretfully it is becoming just another branch of the government. The intended increase in membership fees are being asked for at the insistence of the ministry, which is necessary to help maintain a large office with a full time staff that the ministry insists we have, whether we needed it or not.

We are pleased to welcome into the community Wayne Hughes who is the new clerk-treasurer of the Municipality of Lutterworth. Wayne replaces Bev Miller who recently moved to the position of assistant clerk administrator of Anson, Hinton and Minden. Wayne comes from the Bobcaygeon area and is relatively familiar with our region and looks forward to becoming a full time resident here. We hope you all make him feel welcome.

Folks in the Minden area will have no reason to go hungry following the opening of two new take-out food establishments this week. Larry Medley, who has already established a reputation for super pizza in the Village of Haliburton, is opening his second location next store to Mike's Milk and offering the same top quality product. Considerable renovations have been going on for some weeks to the building and Larry obviously intends the establishment to be very permanent in nature at that location. Gary Wootton also expects to be open this week, next door to the Rockcliffe Hotel. Gary has a mobile catering van which specializes in fish and chips, hamburgers, hot dogs and hot chili. He will be operating from this location from now until the Rockcliffe's own snack bar opens in the summer. We hope the residents of Minden will make both of these new establishments welcome without spoiling their diet too much.

The Haliburton Guild of Fine Arts are holding a draw on some articles of pottery donated by local potters. The pottery is on display at the Bank of Montreal in Haliburton and the Bank of Commerce in Haliburton and Minden, and the draw will be held on the weekend of the Minden Winter Carnival. Draw tickets are available from all members of the Haliburton Guild of Fine Arts.

States at the GATT meetings, to reduce the tariffs on manufactured goods flowing between member nations by 50 per cent. A similar proposal from some European partners would cut tariffs by about twenty-five per cent.

Either proposal, of adopted, could spell the beginning of the end for Canada's plastics industry. Our only hope is to have GATT make an exception in the case of plastic products, and so I asked the Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce during Question period in the House of Commons last Thursday if he would seek such an exception from GATT.

The Minister was noncommittal, saying only that he would keep an eye on the situation. That is not good enough. This is a critical situation and we should be going all out to win our case.

It is not unusual for GATT to make exceptions to tariff agreements. It is done all the time, and we have a very strong case for our request for an exception for plastic products. If the tariff is greatly reduced our own plastics manufacturers would be tempted to move to the U.S., where they could produce their products more cheaply, and sell them in Canada, where they would be more competitive than Canadian-made plastic products.

Our plastics industry needs time to adjust to a changing market if it is to survive. One bright star on the horizon is the Petrosar Corporation in Sarnia, which will go into production next year. Petrosar will produce a large part of the Canadian requirement for raw plastics, which in turn will reduce our production costs of finished plastic products.

There are over 1,400 plastics processors in Canada, employing more than 45,000 people directly, and many more indirectly. They do an annual business of about two billion dollars, and it is important that we take steps now to protect the future of this vital industry.

I am personally concerned that the tariffs on plastics products remains in place because we have a

As others see it

The Church Councils are beginning to take a very strong stand on many of the social and economic ills of our country. We commend them for this as they speak for a great many people and this form of leadership is needed.

A resolution from the Saskatchewan conference of the United Church of Canada to the 27th general council has taken a "no-holds-barred" approach to commercial advertising. It would like to do away with almost all of it.

We cannot agree with many of the points brought out in the resolution. "Advertising encourages excess. The Canadian way of life, encouraged by advertising, results in our being the eternal suckers - Advertising and the media in Canada portray a false image of an affluent society that is only really for the four per cent of the top. We can hardly pretend that we have freedom of speech when so much of the revenue for our media comes from advertising."

Advertising is often unfairly the whipping boy for the financial difficulties in which people find themselves. Yet there are so many other factors that have a direct bearing on this - over-buying, keeping up with the neighbors, the affluent society we have come to expect as our due in the western world, and credit buying. However, perhaps the greatest factor rarely cited is the lack of moral, ethical and work standards we have adopted today.

We do not think people are "eternal suckers". We think that many people are very shrewd shoppers. Realizing that advertising keeps prices down, they do a lot of comparative shopping through the media before going out to spend their dollars and it has been proven that advertising does keep prices down. Also, the Advertising Council has very rigid standards and keeps a close watch on false advertising.

As for the inference that freedom of speech is influenced by advertising is an unwarranted slur on the media. There have been dozens and dozens of recorded cases where advertising dollars have been refused on moral and ethical grounds by the media.

Many advertisements are informative and educational. Should these be banned? Or the church advertising that is actually selling their particular brand of religion? Freedom of speech is the right of all.

from the Creemore Star.

HHSS News

by Diane Cowen

On Wednesday, Dec. 7, Mr. Robertson's grade 10 class travelled to Hamilton to visit Stelco Steel Mill. Each group of six kids toured the open-hearth furnace and the bloom mill with a guide. The students had an enjoyable time on the trip as it was very educational.

On Thursday, Dec. 8, the citrus fruit arrived at Haliburton and those people who ordered it, should receive the orders this week. The money that was raised is to purchase band uniforms.

Getting along together is important.

This is what Ontario is doing to help develop understanding between people.



As our society grows more diverse, community tensions may arise from time to time. Our responsibility is to help individuals, groups and communities resolve any difficulties that may occur, and reduce tension so that greater understanding and respect may be reached.

The Ontario Human Rights Code is designed to assure the rights and dignity of all persons without regard to race,

creed, colour, nationality, ancestry, place of origin, age (40-65), sex and marital status.

In addition to investigating and mediating complaints of discrimination in such areas as employment, housing, public services and facilities, job advertisements and the posting of signs and notices, the Ontario Human Rights Commission works for healthier relations between groups at the community level.

One of the most vital institutions in any urban community is its newspaper - and the smaller the centre, the greater the paper's value to it appreciates.

While the majority of people recognize the service which the weekly newspaper renders its community, there is a minority element, which is more inclined to "play down" the local weekly than boost it for the many services it provides.

One has only to visit the post office or single sales outlets on publication day or follow the rural mail courier the day he makes his rounds to fully appreciate what the local weekly means to individuals.

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Report from Ottawa

by MP Bill Scott

Canada's faltering plastics industry is faced with a new and potentially disastrous threat to its existence in the latest round of GATT tariff negotiations presently in progress in Geneva, Switzerland.

GATT stands for General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, and serves as a vehicle for regulating trade among the principle trading nations in the free world. Among its aims is the equalization of trading and marketing between the smaller and larger trading partners, and the prevention of unfair practices designed to give any nation a competitive advantage.

The GATT policies and guidelines are supplemented with our own domestic policies, such as our anti-combines and anti-dumping legislation. Even with these regulations, though, the marketplace cannot be totally regulated, and this is being brought home to us dramatically by the state of affairs in our plastics industry.

Canada is the world's largest per capita importer of finished plastic products. We import more plastic products than even the U.S., which has ten times our population.

In addition, the Canadian plastics industry imports all but a fraction of its requirements in raw plastics, mostly from the U.S., and this makes our own domestically-produced plastic products more expensive than those from other countries that produce their own raw plastic.

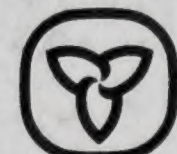
The present threat to the Canadian plastics industry is contained in a proposal from the United

Community counselling is one of the major roles of your Ontario Human Rights Commission. We endeavour to break down communication barriers among groups by working together with agencies, institutions and the community itself. By explaining both the rights and responsibilities of all residents in this province, we believe that the aims and the objectives of the Code can be achieved.

If you would like more information or assistance, contact the Ontario Human Rights Commission office nearest you:

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County sports

BY JIM BADGLEY



Things are sure picking up at the Dysart Community Centre. A fund-raising campaign, plus help from the Ministry of Culture and Recreation, and Wintario, have really transformed the building.

Everything seems to happen without anyone knowing it. Saturday I stopped by the rink and found a new clock gracing the east wall of the building.

For those of you who contributed to the fund, why don't you stop by and look at some of the other improvements that have taken place in the building over the past year.

Visibly you will see a new plastic coating on the boards around the ice surface. Not only do the boards give the appearance of a high class arena, but looking a little higher one will notice the glass around the ice surface.

The glass accomplishes a couple of things. One, it keeps the puck in play more often and secondly, it gives the spectators some added protection while watching the games.

I use the term spectators quite loosely though, considering the small sizes of the crowds that have turned out for some of the hockey games.

I'll get back to the crowd size a little later.

Looking higher, above the glass and seats, you will find the new heaters, which I would hope are in use by now.

I understand that a little more effort is being made to keep the building in order now, as well.

Back to the number of spectators at hockey games. All of Haliburton's entries are doing well this season. The OMHA teams are not overshadowed by anyone and all of them are contenders in their division.

Bill Davis, coach of the Beaconbrook Midgets, still claims that his team is as good as last year's club. I for one don't agree but the team is not that much weaker either.

Last year the midgets should have won an all-Ontario Championship but as Davis said to me one day, "we just didn't know that we were good enough."

The Huskies have one of the best teams in the Junior D loop. So far this season, the only teams that have looked competitive with Haliburton are Lakefield, Bobcaygeon and Bancroft. I know that Haliburton hasn't won too many but the club's record is not just indicative of the team's play this season.

Haliburton had Lakefield 1-0 going into the last 10 minutes and last week scored two late goals to tie Bobcaygeon 4-4. In the Lakefield game Haliburton, with a few breaks would have won the contest by about four goals and in the Bobcaygeon game the Huskies would likely have won had there been a couple of more minutes on the clock.

The wins would have put Haliburton pretty close to first place in the league.

Anyway, the Huskies and the Midgets and every other team in Haliburton have played some good hockey and well worth watching. The same holds true for the teams in Minden, especially the Bantams who did so well at the tournament in Haliburton last week and the Juveniles who are led by Dave Brown, one of the better young hockey players in Haliburton County.

Midgets keep top spot in OMHA league

Haliburton - The Haliburton Beaconbrook Midgets were forced to kill six consecutive penalties in a game last week with Bobcaygeon but the team was successful and came up with a 5-1 win.

Bobcaygeon got on the scoresheet first and held the 1-0 lead until the second period.

Chris Hodgson picked up two goals for Haliburton in the second period.

In the third period Mike Rae scored twice within 20 seconds to put the game away for Haliburton.

Bob Manary scored the final Haliburton goal.

The Midgets are in first place in their league.

They play this Saturday night at 8:30 p.m. at the Dysart Arena against Sunderland.

Pee Wees blast Sunderland 9-0

Sunderland - The Haliburton OMHA Pee Wees scored three goals in the first period, two more in the second and four in the third to down Sunderland 9-0 in hockey action last week.

Jamie Bennett recorded the shut-out for Haliburton. Kelly Mitchell led the way for Haliburton with three goals. Steven Dodd added two.

Dodd opened the scoring at 4:14 of the opening period when he scored unassisted.

Fred Roberts made the score 2-0 at 5:18 when he connected from Scott Mitchell.

A goal by Kelly Mitchell with just two seconds remaining in the first period gave Haliburton a 3-0 edge.

It took Haliburton 29 seconds to get untracked in the second period on a goal by Charles Teljeur from Scott Rae and Steven Smith.

Tim Hockley ran the count to 5-0 just 10 seconds later when he connected from Barry Boice.

The score went to 6-0 at 7:45 of the third period on a goal by Paul Vuksic from Rae. Smith scored the seventh Haliburton goal at 9:10 of the final period with Vuksic drawing an assist.

Huskies slip in standings

Haliburton - The Haliburton Travelways Huskies only played once during the past weekend but the team lost 5-2 to Bancroft. Haliburton was in third place last week but results are not complete this week.

TOWN	W	L	T	P
Lakefield	5	0	1	11
Bancroft	5	1	1	11
Haliburton	3	4	2	8
Bobcaygeon	3	2	8	
Colborne	4	4	0	8
Bewdley	2	4	1	5
Madoc	1	7	1	3

COUNTY ECHO SPORTS

Game for second place

Huskies lose 5-2 to Bancroft

Haliburton - Just when everything was going good for the Haliburton Travelways Huskies the roof caved in and the club found itself on the losing end of a 5-2 score to the Bancroft Jets.

The two teams played Friday night at the Dysart

Arena. In a previous meeting Haliburton lost to Bancroft 9-5 in Bancroft.

The Huskies played with Tim Bain and Tom Curry, two of the team's highest scorers in recent games.

The game was never in

doubt for Bancroft, who opened the scoring at 4:50 of the first period when N. McFarlane connected from S. Golton.

The score went to 2-0 just 10 seconds later on a goal by D. Kellar from P. Tomlin and B. Parks.

The Huskies had a chance

to get back into the contest later in the period when a roughing penalty to M. Laundry gave Haliburton the advantage, but it backfired when R. Fransky stole the puck and scored unassisted. The goal came at 13:49 of the period.

G. Watson picked up the insurance marker for Bancroft at 6:58 of the second period when he combined with Parks.

Bancroft went ahead 5-0 just 2:01 later on a goal by S. Charbonneau from Fransky and Laundry.

Haliburton finally broke A. McRae's shut-out at 10:45 of the third period on a goal by Dwight Sisson from Tom Bain and Larry Stinson.

The Huskies scored one more at 18:25 of the period but it was a case of too few too late. Stinson was credited with the marker from Barry Shaw and Andy Salvatori.

The game was marred by a fight in the first period between Joe Roberts of Haliburton and G. Raine of Bancroft. Roberts was named the aggressor in the battle and was assessed a game misconduct.

In the second period Steve Farnsworth of the Huskies went off for two minutes for interference, then was assessed a 10 minute misconduct and finally ended up with a game misconduct.

Jay Wootton of the Huskies was given a major misconduct later in the period.

A total of 38 penalties were called in the game with 22 going to Haliburton.

The Huskies see action tonight when the club travels to Bewdley to play the Rice Lake Rangers. The next home game for Haliburton will be Friday at 8:30 p.m. when the high scoring Colborne team comes to the Dysart Arena.



The Haliburton Tri-County Atoms were shut-out last Saturday afternoon by Beaverton. The game was played at the Dysart Community Centre. The Atoms

and the other Tri-County teams play their home games on Saturday afternoons at the arena.

Maple Lake Mixed Bowling League Action

Carnarvon - Audrey's Angels win over Fred's Foxes to put them in top spot in Maple Lake Mixed Bowling with 17 points; Strikers have 14; Lynn's Loafers 12; Fred's 9; Ron's Dynamos 6; Ron's Rollers 5.

Some excellent scores were bowled with Bill Korz of Fenelon showing us all how to do it with 767 (286, 250); Deb Harding 751 (270, 247); Ed Cox 734 (326, 204); Lynn Frankland 729 (253, 250); Ron Robinson 688 (237, 233); Audrey Fountain 681 (273, 223); Wes Stata 673 (268, 235); Ab Cox 650 (260, 208); Ronnie Robinson 636 (233, 205); Marnie Robinson 631 (244, 209); Barb Fountain 630

(235, 224).

High single games were bowled by Dorothy Ann Robinson 247; Ev Stata 242; Fred Fountain 234; Walt Ackersblade 227; Fred Cox 213, 204; Dan Harding & Flo Henderson 213; Dick Downey 212; Joanne Robinson 210; Marnie Cook 208; Brenda Cook 206, 202; Wendy Kirkpatrick 206; Grace Downey 201.

We still have five couples in the Sunbeam Shoes High-Low Doubles - Grace Downey & Brenda Cook; Fred Cox & Walt Ackersblade; Ed Cox & Harry Fountain; Rick Harding & Wendy Kirkpatrick; Fred & Barb Fountain.

Congratulations to Ed Cox who came in 5th for the men's

team in the Carling O'Keefe Open and Wes Stata second in the mixed team.

Also, congratulations to Ev Stata, 3rd place for the ladies team, then Verna Wagg and Eva Piper. Also, to Audrey Fountain and Pearl Foster in the mixed team.

These bowlers will go to Hamilton to bowl for the provincial championships on March 23, 24 and 25, 1978.

Tri-County standings

TOWN	W	L	T	P
Keene	4	1	0	8
Haliburton	3	0	0	6
Beaverton	2	3	2	6
Fenelon F.	1	0	3	5
Lindsay	2	1	0	4
Minden	1	3	2	4
Millbrook	1	2	1	3
Ops	0	4	2	2

TOWN	W	L	T	P
Fenelon F.	6	0	2	14
Millbrook	5	0	2	12
Ops	5	3	1	11
Millbrook	3	4	1	7
Keene	3	6	0	6
Omeme	2	5	1	5
Bobcaygeon	0	6	1	1

TOWN	W	L	T	P
Beaverton	6	0	2	14
Haliburton	3	3	0	6
Cannington	2	1	1	5
Sunderland	2	2	0	4
Fenelon F.	0	2	1	1
Minden	0	5	0	0

TOWN	W	L	T	P
Little Britain	6	1	0	12
Keene	5	1	0	10
Ops	3	3	0	6
Bobcaygeon	2	3	0	4
Omeme	1	5	0	2
Millbrook	0	4	0	0

TOWN	W	L	T	P
Haliburton	6	0	1	13
Fenelon F.	4	3	1	9
Minden	3	4	2	8
Beaverton	1	3	1	3
Cannington	0	4	1	1

TOWN	W	L	T	P
Omeme	3	1	0	6
Millbrook	2	0	1	5
Ops	2	1	0	4
Keene	1	5	1	3
Oakwood	0	1	2	2

TOWN	W	L	T	P
Beaverton	3	0	0	6
Cannington	3	0	0	6
Minden	2	2	0	4
Haliburton	0	3	0	0
Little Britain	0	0	0	0

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Sports Calendar

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 14:
Haliburton Huskies at Bewdley 8:00 p.m.
Haliburton Pee Wees at Beaverton 7:15 p.m. (B)
Minden Pee Wees at Fenelon Falls 7:30 p.m. (B)

THURSDAY, DEC. 15:
Haliburton Midgets at Fenelon Falls 9:00 p.m. (B)
Minden Atoms at Little Britain 7:00 p.m. (A)
Haliburton Pee Wees at Little Britain 8:00 p.m. (A)
Haliburton Bantams at Fenelon Falls 7:45 p.m. (A)
Haliburton Midgets at Bobcaygeon 8:30 p.m. (A)

FRIDAY, DEC. 16:
Colborne at Haliburton Huskies 8:30 p.m.
Cannington at Minden Juveniles 8:30 p.m. (A)

SATURDAY, DEC. 17:
Sir Sam's Ski Tow will open officially today.
Haliburton Atoms at Minden 2:00 p.m. (B)
Cannington at Haliburton Pee Wees 1:15 p.m. (B)
Cannington at Haliburton Bantams 2:30 p.m. (B)
Beaverton at Haliburton Midgets 3:34 p.m. (B)
Oakwood at Minden Midgets 7:00 p.m. (A)
Oakwood at Minden Bantams 5:30 p.m. (A)
Woodville at Minden Pee Wees 4:00 p.m. (A)
Cannington at Haliburton Atoms 7:00 p.m. (A)
Sunderland at Haliburton Midgets 8:30 p.m. (A)

SUNDAY, DEC. 18:
Haliburton Huskies at Lakefield 8:00 p.m.
Minden Juveniles at Sunderland 8:00 p.m. (A)
Minden Atoms at Ops 4:00 p.m. (A)
Haliburton Midgets at Minden 7:30 p.m. (B)
Sunderland at Minden Bantams 6:00 p.m. (B)
Fenelon Falls at Minden Pee Wees 4:30 p.m. (B)

MONDAY, DEC. 19:
Haliburton Pee Wees at Oakwood 8:00 p.m. (A)

TUESDAY, DEC. 20:
Haliburton Atoms at Cannington 7:30 p.m. (A)
Bobcaygeon at Haliburton Pee Wees 7:00 p.m. (A)
Minden at Haliburton Bantams 8:30 p.m. (A)

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Curling Club

LADIES CURLING SECTION

BAKE SALE BIG SUCCESS

In spite of the weather, and with the help of all the club members, the ladies initial fund-raising effort, bake sale and raffle, turned out well, and president, Kit Koehler, reports over \$300.00 will be turned over to finance chairman, Ken Wilson. The turkey raffle was won by Mrs. Gerry Armstrong, the wine went to Ken Langdon and the Christmas cake to Mrs. Betty Ingles. There are still some Christmas corsages left and these are for sale at Brohm's Variety. Barbara Ramsay was chairman of this project - and we congratulate her for a well-run effort. Our thanks go to all club members who contributed goodies, and to Curry Motors for the use of their showroom.

Since we do not have our own ice yet, Minden Club has generously offered us ice time and the playdowns for the OCA Seagrams Mixed and Consols are progressing well, with very close and well played games resulting.

Our ladies team, who will represent us at Sutton on Wednesday, will be skipped by Jean Collier, with Karen O'Connor, Doris Winter and Anne Lee. In the mixed playdowns, Dave Gray's rink has the edge with two wins, Bob Collier and Ken Wilson are tied at one win - one loss, Gary Bailey's good rink is eliminated after two extra end games - so whichever rink survives this keen battle will be fine representatives of the Haliburton club.

Clark Bailey, Dick MacLean, Gary Bailey and Bill Everson will be representing Haliburton in the McLaughlin Classic 'Spiel at Oshawa, Jan. 2, 3 and 4. This 'Spiel draws many of the best Ontario rinks and Haliburton has done very respectfully the past few years.

Club curlers are looking forward to good ice and good curling and club schedules should commence right after New Years.

Haliburton wins over Beaverton

Haliburton - The Haliburton Tri-County Pee Wees scored early in the first period and then went on to down Beaverton 4-1 in hockey action last week.

Rick Barnum opened the scoring at the 43 second mark of the first period on a play from Marla McNaull.

Sheldon McMurray ran the count to 2-0 midway through the period on a play from McNaull.

Haliburton went ahead 3-0 with just 19 seconds to play in the period when Barnum scored from Dave Giles.

Beaverton got on the scoreboard midway through the second period on a goal by Al Shier from Chris Barker.

Haliburton's final goal came off the stick of Harold Rowbotham, unassisted.

Only six penalties were called in the game with each team taking three.

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Minden Bantams take low scoring tourney with defensive play

Minden - In the first round of the Minden Bantam Hockey Tournament on Saturday Minden came up with a 4-1 win over Bobcaygeon and started on its way to a championship win. Bobcaygeon scored the first goal at 6:46 of the first

period and held the lead until the opening minute of the second frame.

Mark Bowland scored from Shane Lewis.

Minden's first goal came off the stick of Harold Porter at 51 seconds of the second

period. Ron Yake assisted on the play.

Porter made the score 2-1 with 2:29 to play in the second period when he scored from Yake again.

Minden got its insurance marker at 37 seconds of the final period when Ivan Ingram scored from Scott Arbutnot and Yake.

Yake scored the final goal of the game with 5:56 to play, with Arbutnot drawing an assist.

Only five penalties were called in the game with three going to Minden.

In the second game of the tournament Minden got a goal midway through the first period and that is all the team needed as goaltender Stan Baker shut-out Woodville in the game.

Shaun Chapman scored the opening goal for Minden with Arbutnot picking up an assist.

The score went to 2-0 with just 11 seconds to play in the second period on a goal by Yake from Porter and Arbutnot.

Porter scored the final goal of the game at 5:47 of the third period.

There were 11 penalties called in the game with Minden taking six.

Good goaltending and a second period goal with just 2:46 to play in the frame gave Minden the Bantam Tournament championship over Omamee.

Yake scored both Minden goals with the first coming at 3:57 from Porter.

The final goal of the game came off the stick of Yake, unassisted.

Omamee scored at 3:54 of the middle period for that team's only goal.

Six penalties were called in the game with five going to Minden.

Minden takes Bantam tournament

Minden - The Minden Bantams came up with the club's second big tournament effort of the season and took the top prize in a tournament held in Minden on Saturday.

The Bantams were defeated in the championship finals of the Hodgson Memorial Tournament in Haliburton last weekend.

Minden downed Bobcaygeon 4-1 in the opening round, defeated Woodville 3-0 in the second round and then won 2-1 over Omamee in the finals.

Other first round action saw Haliburton and Woodville tie 1-1 and then Woodville winning because the club scored the first goal, Omamee over Port Carling 6-4 and Uxbridge over Leaside 7-0.

Omamee went to the championship finals by winning 2-1 over Uxbridge.

In the consolation division Bobcaygeon downed Haliburton 3-1 in the second round and Port Carling downed Leaside 3-1.

Bobcaygeon took the division by winning 2-1 over Port Carling.

Atoms upset in two games

Haliburton OMHA Atoms met Oakwood in a home game last Saturday night and went down in bitter defeat 5-2.

Haliburton spent the first two periods chasing Oakwood all over the rink rather than checking and left the ice down four goals. They rallied in the dressing room and hit the ice with new desire. Chris LaPorte scored 26 seconds later, assisted by Mike McNaul and they teamed up again to score at the 11:50 mark. Oakwood picked up their last goal with 15 seconds remaining.

They left town early Sunday to meet Ops who are undefeated this season and have left other teams miser-

ably defeated. Ops scored their first goal after eight minutes of play, after the referees whistle, much to the fans and coaching staff's upset. Many fantastic plays by all the team, upsetting breakaways, strong fore-checking, and excellent goal tending held Ops scoreless, until passing the 8 minutes of the third period when they scored their second goal.

Haliburton missed several close scoring opportunities. Maybe the coaching is starting to "tell" and we'll start to see them climb. This has been their best game so far for teamwork, desire, and the basis of good hockey.

Minden loses to Beaverton

Minden - The Minden OMHA Pee Wees ran into some stiff competition and found themselves on the short end of an 8-0 count against Beaverton.

The teams met in Minden, Dec. 8.

Robinson leads the Maple Lake League

Carnarvon - Welcome back to Ronnie Robinson who has been in Africa since September and is getting back his old bowling form leading the

Tri-County Atoms lose to Beaverton

Haliburton - The Haliburton Tri-County Atoms are having difficulty in scoring goals and it was no different last Saturday in a game against Beaverton.

Beaverton ended up on the winning end of a 3-0 score.

Beaverton took a 1-0 lead in the first period but didn't get another goal until the final frame, when they connected for two more.

Only one penalty was called in the contest, a roughing infraction to Beaverton in the third period.

Along the Trails

BY ROY BATES

To Sell Ourselves:

As we enter a new busy season in the development and maintenance of snowmobile facilities, the Haliburton County Snowmobile Association pauses to take a brief look at its aims and objectives. As one who has occupied a seat at the boardroom table since the first organizational meeting, I have watched this exercise repeated numerous times. In nearly seven years of operation, those aims have changed very little but this annual re-dedication renews the strength of the board enabling it to better meet the challenges of an ever-expanding endeavor.

What the H.C.S.A. is doing now follows very closely the blueprint for progress laid down by the interim executive in the spring of 1971. Stated simply, that is the development and improvement of snowmobile trails, promotion of safety and common sense in snowmobiling to improve the snowmobiler's image and co-operation with the business community to attract winter commerce.

Success did not come easy. There were many who said the formula wouldn't work. Others gave it a short try before giving up. But there were a few who had faith in the idea and dedicated themselves to making it work. Faces changed frequently.

around the table, some visiting so briefly that we barely remember them, while others settled in to do long and active service. Here are several of the dedicated ones and their viewpoints as I recall them.

The H.C.S.A. was the brainchild of R. Carman Wright, marina proprietor and merchant, who was at the time president of the local Chamber of Commerce. Said Carman: "The snowmobile has brought a new recreation industry to Haliburton. We can now promote winter as well as summer. A county-wide association in which businessmen will support and assist the efforts of snowmobilers to improve riding opportunities for themselves will speed the development of this new industry. We must not allow other tourist regions to move ahead of the Haliburton Highlands."

Pat Waddell, manager of the county's first commercially-operated trail facility, and the Association's first president: "Development of good public trails cannot hurt my company's business. On the contrary, what is good for the county as a whole has got to be good for every business in it. We are pleased to enroll as the Association's first Commercial Member."

Stephen Berry, snowmobile sales, has served the H.C.S.A. at various times as

vice president, as secretary, as treasurer and is always at the head of some active committee: "Good maps, trail signs, and grooming will stimulate interest in our trails and assure the return of winter tourists. Bumpy trails will send them to other regions."

Bob Jennings, resort proprietor, past president and membership chairman: "The members are the strength of any organization. To stimulate a healthy membership we must offer incentives to join. For the snowmobiler, better trails, exciting events, and an informative newsletter. For businesses, an effective promotional campaign that will benefit them."

Brian Hunter, mechanic, director: "People want to enjoy their outings, on safe, smooth trails to interesting places. A portable barbecue pit would make club cookouts more practical." Brian has built one! It is waiting to be christened.

Jim Solway, police officer, current president: "We have earned the position of the number one club in the province. We must protect that position by being number one in quality as well as quantity. The image of the snowmobiler is reflected by our actions."

Ken Fielding, past president and the associations first manager: "We have come a long way in recent years but we cannot rest on our laurels. Last years budget of more than \$30,000 was small to what we will be spending in the future. It is imperative that we begin now to develop our programs for two years down the road. The ways and means of meeting future needs should be a prime

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Hit and Mrs. on top of Wed. Bowling

Carnarvon - Hit & Mrs. finally hit the top of Wednesday bowling. They lead the

Wilberforce Oldtimers upset 6-3

Wilberforce - The Wilberforce Oldtimers found themselves on the short end of a 6-3 score against Bancroft last week.

The game was played in Apsley.

Scoring for Wilberforce were Art Barras, Dan Matthews and Keith Tallman.

The team will see action this Sunday night in Apsley.

second series with 10 points; Rebels 9; Snowflakes 8; Aces 6; Harry's Angels 6 and Criers 3.

Ray Jenkins rolled a high triple of 690 with high singles of 250, 202 and 238.

Other high triples were Linda Morrison 618, Isobel Carscallen 630, Bill Barber 679, Loretta Henderson 624, Harry Henderson 687.

Single games over 200: Linda Morrison 211, 245; Peggy Henderson 203; Norma Scheffee 223; Isobel Carscallen 282; Ev Stata 243; Jack Henderson 200; Sheila Beatty 202; Gord Bennett 200; Garnet Fagan 220; Bill Barber 212, 220 & 247; Ev Griffin 213, 217; Loretta Henderson 254; Harry Henderson 285, 207.

Harry Henderson leads Bowling

Carnarvon - Harry Henderson led the Wednesday Afternoon Bowling with a 709 triple and singles of 241, 262 and 206.

Other high triples were Ev Stata 628, Ray Knapp 672, Bill Barber 655.

Singles over 200 were Linda Morrison 229, Gerry Pinch 258, Phyllis MacDuff 209, Muriel Peters 234, Art Beatty 224, 201, Ray Jenkins 213, 204, Ev Stata 211, 222, Jack Henderson 262, Fran Woods 205, Ray Knapp 287, 214, Gord Bennett 221, Norma Hodgson 249, Bill Barber 209, 222 and 224.

Team standings - Rebels 14; Hit & Mrs. 12; Snowflakes

Haliburton shut-out in Beaverton

Beaverton - The Haliburton OMHA Pee Wees skated with Beaverton for a period and a half but then the roof caved in and Haliburton ended up on the short end of a 5-0 count.

Beaverton got three goals in the last half of the second period and added two more in the third.

A total of 10 penalties were called in the game with six going to Beaverton.

Revised Tri-County Atom Schedule

DATE	TEAMS	TIME
Dec. 17	Haliburton at Minden	2:00
Dec. 24	Minden at Haliburton	12:00
Jan. 6	Minden at Little Britain	6:30
Jan. 7	Little Britain at Minden	2:00
Jan. 14	Haliburton at Minden	2:00
Jan. 16	Minden at Cannington	6:30
Jan. 20	Haliburton at Little Britain	6:30
Jan. 21	Cannington at Haliburton	12:00
Jan. 21	Beaverton at Minden	2:00
Jan. 23	Minden at Beaverton	7:30
Jan. 28	Minden at Haliburton	12:00
Jan. 30	Haliburton at Beaverton	7:30
Feb. 5	Little Britain at Haliburton	12:00

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Yateman rolls 844

Carnarvon - Jack Yateman rolled an 844 triple (180, 308, 356) to lead the Tuesday Night Combines in bowling action last week.

Ian Colman had a 705 (246, 236, 223), Art Beatty had 682

(220, 288, 174), Mabel Medcalf 657 (232, 229, 196), Millie Beatty 656 (175, 175, 306) and Pearl Foster had 654 (206, 203, 245).

Rolling games over 200 were Ken Piper, 264; Brenda

Cook 250; Ken Beatty 223; Danny Harding 222; Bruce Medcalf Jr. 209, 206; and Lil Gorgevatt 219.

Participants in the league offer happy birthday to Minnie Dawson.

Thursday Ladies League

Carnarvon - Ev Stata rolled an 818 triple to lead the Thursday Ladies Bowling League play on Dec. 1.

She had single games of 231, 290 and 297.

Ann Baker had a 671 (282, 221), Lillian Gorgevatt 634

(245, 206) and Iris Taylor 608 (233, 201).

Others rolling over 200 were Peggy Brown 242, Pearl Foster 228, Kay Barry 212, Joan Hatkoski 206 and Lynn Frankland 204.

On Dec. 8 Kay Barry led

the way with a 682 triple. She had games of 217, 203 and 262.

Joan Hatkoski had a 635 triple (217, 189, 229).

Over 200 were Audrey Fountain with 215 and Susan Beers with 208.

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Woodville - The Minden OMHA Pee Wees got four goals from four different players to down Woodville 4-1 in hockey action last week in Woodville.

Minden got on the scoresheet first at 2:22 when Timothy Wood scored from Eldon Bull.

It took Minden to the 6:32 mark of the second period to get on the scoresheet. Robbie MacLeod scored from Scott Yake and Jeffery Stamp.

Woodville got on the scoreboard at 2:38 of the final period when Randy Metherel scored unassisted.

The score went to 3-1 for Minden at 6:41 of the period on a goal by Yake from MacLeod and Bull.

Andrew Shapiera scored the final Minden goal with 4:48 to play in the period. Scott Hamilton and Stamp assisted on the play.

Nine penalties were called in the game with five going to Woodville.

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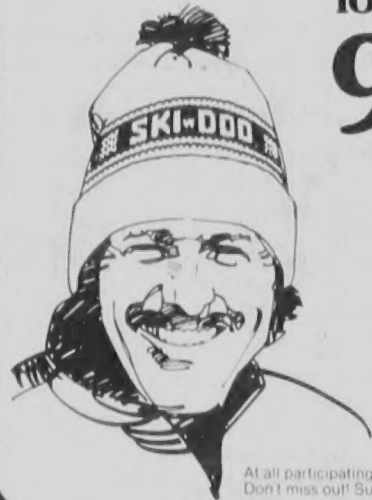


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Trails

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And here are my own comments: "Snowmobile organizations such as the Haliburton County Snowmobile Association are the backbone of the snowmobile industry. The organized snowmobilers have launched successful counter-attacks against adverse publicity, against unpopular legislation, against careless operators in their midst. Organized snowmobilers have presented a clear case for snowmobiling to such august bodies as the Select Committee and the Trails Council, resulting in very favorable recommendations from these groups and virtually assuring government action to protect the snowmobiler's rights and interests. The snowmobile organizations have developed some 22,000 miles of snowmobile trails in Ontario, with the majority of these regularly groomed. I am personally proud of the record of achievement of snowmobile organizations and pleased to be a part of it."

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Spreading the joy that Christmas is all about,
Friends meeting friends, a smile on their face,
Rushing frantically at a frenzied pace,
What can I buy for Fred, Marv and John.
Christmas is near, the time hurries on!

Up in the dark sky there shines a bright star,
Proclaiming the news to those near and far,
Remember the first Christmas, the babe in the hay,
That is the reason we have Christmas day,
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Christmas Season brings threats

"Christmas brings temptations to many parents while visiting with neighbors or completing last minute shopping, to leave small children unattended for short periods," says Fire Chief Howard Roberts.

"At the same time, decorations, trees and wrapping paper bring an increased threat of fire danger unless constant care is exercised."

The Fire Chief urges all parents to recognize the fire danger of this season, and not to leave small children alone in the home even for a moment. He points out that the Criminal Code of Canada forbids such action which endangers the life or health of any child under the age of ten years.

Parents are further reminded that under certain conditions a Christmas tree can be ignited by a single match to burn furiously to charred wood in a few seconds. Care must be taken to keep butts of natural trees immersed in water and to ensure that the tree itself does not obstruct access to a door or window. Families are also urged to review their home fire-escape plans for quick exit in an emergency.

Feir Play

from page 4

We seem to have a disease here in Haliburton County which appears to cause some people a great deal of suffering. This new disease is known as "Jealousy." If it gets bad enough, it's just like a cancer. It would appear that if anyone is the least bit progressive, or tries to get ahead, they seem to appear right on top of the hate list. It is a sin to hate anyone and these small minded people who hate to see anyone get ahead seem to make it a practice to try to knock them down in any way they can. We are sick, sore and tired of these small town, childish antics and bickering. It's fine to go to church on Sunday, but what really counts is how you live the other six days of the week. It's fine to spend our time on good, faithful criticism, but it's time that some people started to live a Christian life and instead of knocking people down, they should spend their time picking them up.

The Brotherhood of Anglican Churchmen will be holding their monthly communion and breakfast at St. George's Anglican Church in Haliburton this coming Sunday morning, Dec. 18, at 8:00 a.m. The guest speaker will be Mr. Terry Brown of Haliburton.

Minden Kinsmen Club News

It's getting close to Christmas and the Minden Kinsmen are well on their way. Winter carnival, Jan. 27, 28, is just around the corner and preparation this year is the car races on ice. The members are busy with flooding and brushing of the track.

Sun., Dec. 11, was the kids Christmas party at the Wagon Wheel with fun being had by all. This year, the Kinsmen have added two

bleachers to the now completed ball park, for spectators. These bleachers are portable and will be used at other events during the year.

Winners on our Nov. Marathon Draw were: Dave Waite, \$100; Len Allison \$50; Doug Pritchard \$50.

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If you are not satisfied with your present system, now is the time to consider making a change for 1978.

There are many different ways to keep your farm records. These range from a shoe box for bills and receipts to using a computer to help keep your records.

The system you use should be the one which provides you with the details you need, and which you feel most comfortable using.

The "Ontario Farm Record Book" provides an easy method of recording your receipts and expenses in different categories that meet your needs. With an adding machine or calculator, you can then prepare farm management, financial and tax reports for your farm business.

The Ontario Farm Record Book is available free from the Lindsay Agricultural Office. Drop in, phone or write to get a copy for 1978.

"Canfarm" is a computerized farm record keeping system available for farmers in Ontario. Farmers using this system keep a monthly record of their farm transactions - the computer then prepares farm management, financial and tax reports from this information. These re-

ports are available monthly or as often as you request them.

It costs \$30.00 per year to use the Canfarm program. Any farmers interested in more information about the Canfarm system can obtain it from the Lindsay Agricultural Office. Talk to Dale Toombs or Carm Hamilton about this system.

In addition, several charter banks offer a cheque accounting system through Canfarm. Your bank manager can give you information on how their system works.

Remember - now is the time to evaluate your farm record system. If you think a change is needed, plan to make that change at the start of the year.

COMING AGRICULTURAL EVENTS

Thurs., Dec. 15, 9:30 a.m. - Co-op Dairy Patrons Meeting at Miss Susannah Restaurant (this is the meeting that was postponed due to weather on Dec. 6).

Mon., Dec. 19, 1:15 p.m. - Victoria County Dairy Herd Improvement Assoc. meeting in the Conference Room of Agricultural Office in Lindsay. Discussion will be on

barn sheets and heritability in type breeding. Note: This is a change in date from Dec. 15 as listed in last week's News & Views.

Forest fires down in 1977 season

Ottawa - In its final report for the 1977 forest fire season the Canadian Forestry Service, Fisheries and Environment Canada, records a total of 8,702 fires during the months of April to October inclusive, affecting a total of 1,038,000 hectares.

For the 1976 fire season, the corresponding figures were 9,967 fires, 1,607,000 hectares, while the seasonal averages for the preceding 10 years were 8,580 fires and

1,092,000 hectares.

During October, 110 fires burned over an area of 19,000 hectares of forest land; in the corresponding month - last year, the figures were 330 fires and 52,000 hectares. Averages for October over the past decade were 237 fires and 7,000 hectares.

Fire statistics are compiled monthly and annually by the Forest Fire Research Institute of Fisheries and Environment Canada in Ottawa.

A new virus threatening trees

Ottawa - A new and virulent strain of an old disease is threatening pine trees in Canada and causing widespread damage in the northeastern United States.

Environment Minister, Len Marchand announced today

that scientists at his Department's Great Lakes Forest Research Centre, Sault Ste. Marie, in collaboration with the United States Forest Service and the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources, are carrying out important research on this new strain of

Scleroderris canker.

The disease, which is caused by the fungus *Gremmeniella abietina*, has been recognized in Canada for almost 40 years as a threat to reforestation. During that time it attacked and killed mainly young red, jack and scots

pinus in their first 10 years of growth.

However, the new disease, found recently in the states of New York and Vermont, differs from the old. It not only kills young pines but also mature trees, and attacks other species such as spruce, larch and Douglas fir. So far, it has caused the loss of 11,000 hectares (27,500 acres) of pines in these two states, and the affected areas are increasing within 48 kilometres of the Canadian border.

The fungus attacks the tree's main stem, girdling it quickly and causing the death of young trees within a few months.

There is no general chemical treatment for the disease. Moreover, any such treatment would be considered uneconomic except in nursery operations.

In its behavior, the new fungus closely resembles one already well established in Europe, and could be either a mutation of the old North American race or a recent introduction.

Research carried out by Dr. J.C. Dorworth and associates at Sault Ste. Marie over the past 10 years has resulted in a better understanding of the disease and the methods by which it is spread. Already, measures have been developed whereby nursery pines in Ontario can be effectively protected against the original strain of the fungus.

Under this new threat from south of the border, the Great Lakes Forest Research Centre has stepped up its surveillance of susceptible species in southern Ontario, mainly red pine, in order to detect immediately any invasion by the new race of *Gremmeniella*.

Spores of the fungus are carried by wind and water, and possibly by animals and insects.

"Although we cannot, of course, prevent the movement of spores by air currents," says Dr. Dorworth, "we hope to prevent or greatly impede the movement of infected trees across the international border."

Provincial Park fees increasing for 1978

Increases in provincial park fees and restrictions on the consumption and possession of alcoholic beverages in parks have been approved by the Cabinet, Natural Resources Minister, Frank Miller told the legislature today. Both changes will come into effect April 1, 1978.

Day-use fees for parks have been revised from the current \$1.50 flat fee for a private vehicle and occupants. Beginning next April, the rates will be a charge of \$1.00 per vehicle plus 50 cents for each occupant over age 16 and under age 65.

The current \$15 charge for an annual vehicle permit, with no charge for occupants, will change to \$10 per vehicle, but each occupant will be charged 50 cents per visit.

There will be no charge for occupants who are either Canadian senior citizens or children 16 years and under.

The regular campsite fee will increase to \$5.00 and to \$5.50 in campgrounds with comfort stations. The additional campsite with electricity will rise to \$1.50. The fee for an additional vehicle will

become \$3.00. The cost of interior camping will become \$3.00.

"A significant rise in the operating and maintenance costs of Ontario's 127 provincial parks has necessitated these fee increases," Mr. Miller said.

"It is the government's policy that a fair share of the total operating and maintenance costs of our parks should be paid by the users," the Minister told members. "On the other hand, capital investment for land acquisition and park development is not charged back through user fees."

Mr. Miller noted that the Ontario Provincial Parks Council had recommended in its annual report that a fair portion of provincial park costs should be charged to the user.

In 1972, when the park fees were last raised, the "fair share" represented 60 per cent of the operating and maintenance cost, but in the past five years this percentage has slipped to about 34 per cent, Mr. Miller said.

"Due to inflation the direct

costs of the parks have increased substantially," the Minister said. "Wages and the costs of goods and services have escalated in every aspect of park operations."

Under the new restrictions on the use of alcohol, possession of an open container of alcoholic beverage will be limited to campers on their campsites, Mr. Miller said. In addition, alcoholic beverages will be banned entirely in certain southern Ontario parks at selected periods during the season.

These two measures are aimed at assisting in the control of rowdiness, about which the Ontario Provincial Parks Council expressed concern in its annual report," Mr. Miller said.

During the first year in 1978, alcohol bans will be applied on an experimental basis.

A list of provincial parks selected for total alcohol bans, along with dates when the ban will be applied, will be widely publicized prior to the opening of the 1978 provincial park season.

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BY DR. O.W. ANDERSON

Mrs. Miriam Lewis, our activity director, has advised us that she is taking a sabbatical leave of 6 months beginning the first of 1978. Her doctor told her that it is necessary to allow the problem she has had in her throat to heal. We will greatly miss Mrs. Lewis who has been very kind and considerate and who has been a skilled instructor. It is she who has arranged our outings and drove the bus herself. She arranges our various parties and plays a very good entertainment herself, by her ability to mimic almost any role. Our loss we hope will be her gain when after her time away has expired she will resume her duties with no further impairment. Her replacement, whom we met this Monday morning, is Mrs. Barbara Fryer. It is too early to tell if she is that no nonsense type that we need to keep us in line or not. No doubt she is determined to give it a good try.

A near miracle has happened, Extendicare interior has suddenly been converted to a Christmas tree. In the lounge a Christmas tree has been set up with its burden of tinsel and a great assortment of the Christmas trinkets, lights of various colors, bells and balls of every sort. The ceiling of the lounge is criss-crossed by many bushy colored streamers. The bar of the nurses station is nicely tinsel with a tiny, silvery tree with its own set of varicolored lights. Overhead in the corridors bushy streamers criss-cross in many different colors. The windows here and there bear frosting in which can plainly be seen the many varied and various insignia of Christmas, a potted Christmas tree, Santa, the star, wreath, candle sleigh, and the wrapped gift. As though that is not enough we are still in the activity thinking up and making more of the same to be placed other places in the building. Table centerpieces for our Christmas tea and dinner were made by various residents displaying their own personalities.

All of us are taking part and find it to be very interesting.

After the school choir the next group to come to us to try to give us cheer was Pastor Garnet Blakely of Allsaw Pentecostal Church, Mrs. Vicki Blakely, his wife, Josephine his daughter and Chris his young son, all of whom sang to us in chorus, in harmony or in unison. We appreciated this very much and it was our impression that they left with us something very precious.

Mrs. Mary Currah, Mrs. Hazel Parish, Miss Alice Hartle, Mrs. Lotti Woodcock, and Mrs. Florence Burk are presently busy in our tiny kitchen making sandies to go with our coming staff-resident Christmas tea. It is amazing how they manage to all work together without interference and arrive at such a delicious end product. The same ladies tell us that having made their quota of sandies, they intend to pop some popcorn for a munch during the Wednesday afternoon movies. They are sure looking out on our behalf.

The Wednesday afternoon movies were No. 1 - Scenes were shown based in Black Creek Pioneer Village of Christmas as it was when many of us were children. No. 2 - A panorama of Christmas insignia called Christmas Crackers. No. 3 - Called The Night Before Christmas was a sort of wrapping that Christmas poem in a sort of galaxy of music and color after which tea, or milk, or juice and biscuits were served.

The sewer workers are doing their job with dispatch. We hear comment from time to time that the Canadian worker is not highly productive. Judging from observations of this job in adverse

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SUMMER - BEER SAUSAGE

RED & WHITE — FOR HOLIDAY SERVICE

COOKED HAM 1 1/2-LB TIN \$2.99 GLAD GARBAGE BAGS PACKAGE of 20 \$2.09 RED ROSE TEA BAGS ORANGE PEKOE PACKAGE of 120 \$3.59 DOLE FRUIT COCKTAIL CANADA FANCY 19-FL-OZ TIN 55¢ HEINZ TOMATO KETCHUP 11-oz BOTTLE 2 for \$1.89 YORK PEAS CANADA FANCY 14-FL-OZ TIN 3 for \$1	KLEENEX FACIAL TISSUE PACKAGE of 200 59¢ DEL MONTE TOMATO JUICE CANADA FANCY 48-FL-OZ TIN 59¢ BICK'S PICKLES SWEET MIXED - OR YUM YUM 32 FL-OZ JAR 99¢ HOSTESS POTATO CHIPS 250-grm PACKAGE 89¢ HIGHLINER FROZEN SHRIMP COOKED — 8-OZ PACKAGE \$1.49 THOROFED DOG FOOD 15-oz TIN 5 for \$1	DESSERT JELLY POWDERS JELL-O 3-oz PACKAGE 5 for \$9.99 DELSEY WHITE BATHROOM TISSUE 4-ROLL PACKAGE 99¢ MAXWELL HOUSE INSTANT COFFEE 10-oz JAR \$4.69 KLEENEX BOUTIQUE TOWELS 2-ROLL PACKAGE 88¢	Sunshine Produce CALIFORNIA RED EMPEROR GRAPES LB — 59¢ ONTARIO NO. 1 CARROTS 2 LB BAG 35¢ CUCUMBERS 2 FOR 49¢ PARKAY - SOFT MARGARINE 89¢ BORDEN'S EGG NOG 32 FL. OZ. \$1.29 CHEESE FLAVOURED DOG FOOD 2-kg PACKAGE TOP CHOICE \$2.59 PURINA PUPPY CHOW \$1.69 AUTOMATIC DISHWASHER DETERGENT CALGONITE 35-oz. \$1.69 100-ML TUBE REG or MINT CREST Toothpaste \$1.09 Frozen concentrated - Orange Drink 12 1/2-FL-OZ TIN HONEYDEW 69¢ ALORO FROZEN 6-PACK 19-oz PACKAGE PEPPERONI PIZZA \$1.69 RICH'S - FROZEN 32-FL-OZ CONT. COFFEE RICH 65¢ McCAIN STRAIGHT CUT - FROZEN 2-LB PKG. FRENCH FRIES 69¢ CANADA FANCY - FROZEN PEAS - NIBLETS CORN - MIXED VEGETABLES GREEN GIANT 12-oz. 39¢
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STORE HOURS

DEC. 18-23
MON-FRI. SAT.
9-9 9-6
CLOSED
MONDAY DEC. 26
MONDAY JAN. 2

RED & WHITE — FULL OF HOLIDAY VALUES

SUPREME
Fruit Cake
1-Lb Size
\$1.09

DIETRICH
100% WHOLE WHEAT
BREAD
24 oz. LOAVES **49¢**

BONUS PACK - 10% FREE 26.4-FL-OZ BOTTLE
CRISCO OIL **\$1.19**

SUPREME
MIXED NUTS 1-lb. **99¢**

CLOVER LEAF
MANDARIN Oranges 49¢

FLAVOUR
QUENCH Crystals 99¢

LAST WEEK'S

\$10.00 GIFT CERTIFICATE
WINNER
MRS. KEITH SISSON R.R. 1 HALIBURTON, ONT.

FREE DRAW !!!
FOR A 12LB. TURKEY
TO BE DRAWN SATURDAY DECEMBER 17 AT 5:30 P.M.

BIG BOSS PEPSI COLA 49¢ 53 oz. size

HALIBURTON RED & WHITE

STORE HOURS: MONDAY through SATURDAY 9 until 6 FRIDAY 9 until 9

BRING YOUR CHILDREN TO SEE SANTA CLAUS SATURDAY, DEC. 17th 1:00 PM - STEINBERG'S PARKING LOT

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